

Fullers Slade Estate Renewal Forum

Fullers Slade Community Hub, Spider Park, Off Weavers Hill, Fullers Slade
Monday 13 November 6pm

Attendees

David Meadows	DM	Resident (Chair)
Simon Cherrill	SC	Stony Stratford Town Council
Bianca Bendig-Ceesay	BBC	Resident/Stony Stratford Town Council
Steve Jones	SJ	Resident (Treasurer)
Heather Jones	HJ	Resident
Stephen Summerfield	SS	Resident
Helen Havens	HH	Resident
Sarah King	SK	Resident (Chair of Friends of Rowans)
Donna Addington	DA	Resident

Officers

Zulf Awan	ZA	Milton Keynes City Council Community Engagement Manager
Stephen Bryant	SB	Milton Keynes City Council Community Engagement Officer

1.1 Opening Matters

1.2 DM welcomed everyone and introduced SK. SK informed group about the Friends of Rowans (FOR) and what the group will be doing on the estate. This includes:

- Running small events
- Raising funding for future projects
- Volunteering at events in Fullers Slade

1.3 Discussion Points

1.4 Previous Meeting

Group agreed the minutes were an accurate description of the previous meeting.

Group then discussed the previous action points raised at the last meeting:

- 1 and 5 year planning: DM to report later on (point 1.6)
- Training: SB Emailed group on what training is required.
- Letter to residents: ZA has received a reply from Cllr Darlington. ZA has a draft reply to be sent out. ZA is waiting on confirmation form other MKCC colleagues.

ACTION SB to find facilitators to provide training.

1.5 Banking

SJ updated group on the Bank account and how much was spent on each project to date.

Spending to date on projects:

- Bingo Club £103.35
- Brunch Club £329.94
- Halloween Event £215.39
- Xmas Parties £109.52
- Black History Month £300
- Clacton Trip £1830.96
- Skip Day £1656
- Total spend: £4544.16**

SJ asked group to agree that the FSERF should have a debit card from Metro Bank. This would make paying for resources simpler. Group voted and agreed that SJ to have a debit card for the FSERF for purchases for community projects.

ZA spoke to group about the £5,000 from MKCC that the FSERF will be receiving. ZA informed group that it will be £10,000 in total split between two years.

ZA confirmed that the £5,000 to assist the FSERF to operational costs and training.

SB was asked about how much money was left for Fullers Clubs?

Action SB to ask Fullers Club for how much money is left for funding.

1.6 Update on the 1 year and 5 year funding

DM fed back information on the previous meeting, for the 1 year plan these included:

- FSERF to bid for bigger funding to cover all projects for the year
- FSERF to carry on projects including:
 - Skip day
 - Big summer event
 - Brunch and bingo clubs
 - Day trips
 - Training
 - Holiday events

- Run new projects including:

- Cooking on a budget
- Clubs for over 50's and Male residents
- Training

DM informed the Forum that the 5-year plan would include that the FSERF should investigate becoming a CIC or a charity, this could include potentially attracting more funding.

Forum agreed to look more in detail of that the pros and cons for becoming a CIC or charity are.

Another point for the 5-year plan was to have a community building on Fullers Slade.

1.7 Update on Consultations

ZA and SB fed back to group about the two consultations.

- ZA - Spider Park:
 - Over 90 residents gave feed back on the 10 items that were proposed. ZA will be meeting the Landscape team at MKCC for a quote.
- SB updated the Forum Designing out ASB:
 - 80%-90% of residents were in favour of the 6 proposals, other residents who were questioned didn't have a strong opinion either way.

SC asked about when this work will be started?

ZA work should be completed by the end of Spring 2024

SC asked about the noise of some of the equipment.

ZA will bring this question up at the meeting with the Landscaping team.

1.8 Training

ZA updated the group on the 'How to run a Community Project' course that will be starting in January 2024. The course will run for 10 weeks and already there are plenty of residents signed up for this course. There are training opportunities for ERF members who want to be on a course including food hygiene, first aid and risk assessments.

1.9 First Aid

SB has been chasing up organisations that offer first aider training.

Action: SB to find an organisation that can deliver first aider course.

1.10 Trip to community Project

ZA informed group of a trip on the 22 November. This would be to see a community group in Slough that are independently run and have attendance of over 80 residents a week for their lunch club as well as numerous other activities they provide. They have received lots of positive feedback and are changing people's lives.

1.11 AOB

SB updated group on the Halloween event that the ERF ran, there was a high turn out with over 120 ppl visiting the Community Hub. There was support from the Rowans Centre and MKCC Youth team.

BBC spoke about Trips for young people including visiting London to see a Manga exhibition.

ACTION SB to ask JB (Youth service) to gage young people's interest.

BBC Spoke about the Thermal Imagine Training. This would be for homeowners, on the 25 November there would be a training day. BBC asked if this could be an ERF project under Wolverton Community Energy.

Group were not in favour of this.

SJ spoke about the issues with the toilets.

Action SB to chase up Mears

Group discussed the lighting on the path.

Action SB to chase up Highways

1.12 Next meeting

DM suggested date for December meeting should be 11 December at the same time. And January meeting to be 15 January.

BBC suggested a change on the December meeting as there is a meeting with TVP at 5pm. Forum disagreed with BBC and decided that December's meeting should be kept on the 11 December at the same time.